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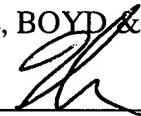
This Response is submitted in response to the Notice of Non-Compliance dated November 28, 2003 regarding the above-referenced patent application. In the Notice of Non-Compliance the Patent Office asserted that Applicants' previously-submitted Appeal Brief did not contain a correct copy of the appealed claims. In response, Applicants are re-submitting herewith the Appeal Brief with what Applicants believe are a correct copy of the appealed claims based on the Patent Office's comments regarding same. Thus, Applicants believe that they have been responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliance and therefore request that the Appeal Brief be entered and examined on the merits.

If the Patent Office should have further questions regarding same, Applicants kindly request that the undersigned attorney of record be contacted directly.

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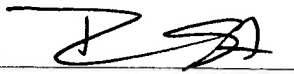


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